



# UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA and PASADENA CITY COLLEGE

Fall 2022 — Summer 2023

## GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

(for students who began college Fall 2015 or later)



Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Minimum requirements for admission to USC:

1. Intermediate algebra (non-transferable college course), or advanced high school algebra.
2. Lower Division Writing requirement.
3. 30 transferrable units (if less than 30 units, need SAT or ACT)

#### USC General Education (GE):

GE requirements include Lower Division Writing, Foreign Language, Core Literacy (Categories A-F), and Global Perspectives (Categories G, H). All majors have the same general education requirements. You do not have to complete USC GE prior to transfer, but it is highly recommended that you do so.

**Major Preparation:** To find requirements for your major, go to: <https://camel2.usc.edu/TPG/default.aspx>

#### Pass/No Pass Grading:

- Major preparation courses should be taken for a letter grade.
- No more than 4 units of GE (one course) can be taken pass/no pass.
- The Lower Division Writing course should be taken for a letter grade.
- No more than 24 units total can be taken pass/no pass, including courses taken at USC.

**Students currently in high school:** USC accepts a maximum of 16 units of college courses taken before high school graduation. For more info, see <https://admission.usc.edu/apply/transfer-students/>

**AP Exam Credit Policy:** [https://arr.usc.edu/services/articulation/adv\\_placement\\_exam\\_credit.html](https://arr.usc.edu/services/articulation/adv_placement_exam_credit.html)

| LOWER DIVISION WRITING— <u>Required</u> for admission to USC. Take one course:   | N | IP | C |
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| English 001B, 001BH, 001C, 001CH<br>Philosophy 025, 025H<br>Physical Science 002 |   |    |   |

| FOREIGN LANGUAGE—All USC majors require third-level foreign language, except the following:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | N | IP | C |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Relations (require fourth-level)</li> <li>• Music Performance: Strings B.M. (require second-level)</li> <li>• Music Performance: Vocal Arts B.M. (require one semester each of French I, German I, and Italian I; and a second semester of either French II, German II, or Italian II)</li> <li>• <b>Majors that require no foreign language:</b> Animation &amp; Digital Arts; Architecture; Art, Technology and the Business of Innovation; Business &amp; Accounting; Writing for Screen &amp; Television; Dance; Dental Hygiene; Theatre (B.F.A.); Computer Science; Engineering (all majors); Human Development and Aging (Health Science Track); Music Industry; Pharmacology &amp; Drug Development; Public Policy; Real Estate Development; Urban Studies and Planning.</li> <li>• International students whose native language is not English are exempt from this requirement.</li> </ul> <p>How to meet the Foreign Language requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AP Foreign Language scores of 4 or 5<br/>See: <a href="https://arr.usc.edu/services/articulation/adv_placement_exam_credit.html">https://arr.usc.edu/services/articulation/adv_placement_exam_credit.html</a></li> <li>• Pass a third semester foreign language course in college with a grade of C- or higher. Restrictions may apply to nontraditional versions, study abroad, summer or intersession classes. <b>No credit granted if taken online (OD) or hybrid (HY).</b></li> <li>• Pass USC's placement examination at a level equivalent to third semester competency.</li> </ul> <p>Students who do not finish their language requirement before transferring to USC must take USC's placement examination. If your major requires a foreign language and if you have already started taking a foreign language, you are advised to continue studying that language through the third semester level, if possible, before transferring to USC.</p> |   |    |   |

**GENERAL EDUCATION CORE LITERACY AND GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES** are listed on the back of this sheet.

N, IP, C: Need, In Progress, Completed

Please note that this information has been prepared by the PCC Articulation Officer, and is subject to immediate change. Please check with USC to verify these requirements. You may also consult USC's Transfer Brochure: [https://admission.usc.edu/wp-content/uploads/Transferring\\_To\\_USC.pdf](https://admission.usc.edu/wp-content/uploads/Transferring_To_USC.pdf)

| <b>GENERAL EDUCATION CORE LITERACY (CATEGORIES A-F): Take one course from each category.</b><br>Note: You will take two more GE Core Literacy courses at USC after you transfer.<br>Courses marked with * in Categories A-F can be double-counted in Categories G-H.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                   | N | IP | C |
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| <b>CATEGORY A: THE ARTS</b> —Take one course:<br>Architecture 024A*, 024B*<br>Art 001A(PTN)*, 001B(PTN)*, 003A*, 003B*, 004A*, 004B*, 004C*, 004D, 005, 007*, 008, 009*<br>Cinema 007A, 007B, 025<br>Dance 021A, 021B<br>English 049A, 049B, 057, 060<br>French 050                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Humanities 004<br>Italian 050<br>Music 007A*, 007B*, 021, 022, 023, 024A, 024B, 025, 028<br>Photography 010<br>Spanish 050<br>Theatre Arts 001, 005, 005A*, 005B*                                 |   |    |   |
| <b>CATEGORY B: HUMANISTIC INQUIRY</b> —Take one course:<br>Chinese 012<br>English 024, 025A, 025C, 025D, 025E, 025F, 025G, 025H, 025I, 025J, 030A, 030B, 030C, 044A, 044B, 044C, 045A, 045B, 046A, 046B, 048, 053, 054, 055 (~051), 058, 059, 061, 065 (~050), 075 (~052), 078A, 078B, 082A*, 082B, 082C, 085 (~047)<br>Ethnic Studies 055, 065, 075, 085<br>French 012<br>German 012<br>History 001A*, 001B(PTN)*, 002A*, 002B*, 005A, 005B, 007A(PTN)*, 007AH* 007B*, 007BH*, 009A*, 016*, 018*, 019*, 027A, 027B*, 030 | Humanities 001<br>Italian 012<br>Japanese 010, 012<br>Philosophy 001, 001H, 003, 007*, 008, 020A*, 020B*, 037<br>Political Science 022*<br>Religious Studies 001, 002*, 003*<br>Spanish 012, 044A |   |    |   |
| <b>CATEGORY C: SOCIAL ANALYSIS</b> —Take one course:<br>Anthropology 002, 002H, 003, 004, 005, 009, 012, 086 (~031)<br>Environmental Studies 002<br>Ethnic Studies 014, 014H, 051, 063, 071, 072, 073, 081, 086<br>Geography 002, 003<br>Global Studies 001, 002*<br>History 009B, 025B, 029A, 029B, 051 (~012), 071 (~041), 081 (~031)                                                                                                                                                                                   | Linguistics 014*<br>Political Science 006*, 007<br>Psychology 029, 031, 072 (~041)<br>Sociology 001, 001H, 002, 014, 014H, 031, 063 (~029), 073 (~041)                                            |   |    |   |
| <b>CATEGORY D: LIFE SCIENCES WITH LABORATORY</b> —<br><b>No credit granted if taken online (OD) or hybrid (HY)</b> —Take one course:<br>Anthropology 001 or 001H with 001L(PTN)<br>Biology 003, 010A, 011(PTN), 011H, 016<br>Physiology 001                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |   |    |   |
| <b>CATEGORY E: PHYSICAL SCIENCES WITH LABORATORY</b> —<br><b>No credit granted if taken online (OD) or hybrid (HY)</b> —Take one course:<br>Astronomy 001<br>Chemistry 001A(PTN), 002A<br>Environmental Studies 003<br>Geography 001 with 001L(PTN)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Geology 001, 003, 012 with 012F, 012 with 012L, 021 with 021L<br>Physical Science 003 with 003L<br>Physics 001A, 008A, 010 with 010L(PTN)                                                         |   |    |   |
| <b>CATEGORY F: QUANTITATIVE REASONING</b> —Take one course:<br>Business 014A, 014B<br>Economics 001A(PTN), 001AH, 001B(PTN), 001BH<br>Mathematics 003, 005A(PTN), 005AH, 005B(PTN), 005BH, 005C, 005CH, 007A, 007B, 009(PTN), 015<br>Philosophy 033<br>Statistics 015(PTN), 018(PTN), 050(PTN), 050H                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |   |    |   |

| <b>GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES (CATEGORIES G, H): Take one course from each category.</b><br>The courses below can also count for Categories A-F, and are marked with * above.                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                             | N | IP | C |
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| <b>CATEGORY G: CITIZENSHIP IN A GLOBAL ERA</b> —Take one course:<br>Global Studies 002<br>Linguistics 014<br>Philosophy 007<br>Political Science 006                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                             |   |    |   |
| <b>CATEGORY H: TRADITIONS AND HISTORICAL FOUNDATIONS</b> —Take one course:<br>Architecture 024A, 024B<br>Art 001A(PTN), 001B(PTN), 003A, 003B, 004A, 004B, 004C, 007, 009<br>English 082A<br>History 001A, 001B(PTN), 002A, 002B, 007A(PTN), 007AH, 007B, 007BH, 009A, 016, 018, 019, 027B | Music 007A, 007B<br>Philosophy 020A, 020B<br>Political Science 022<br>Religious Studies 002, 003<br>Theater Arts 005A, 005B |   |    |   |

\*: Courses marked with \* can be double-counted in Categories A-F and in Categories G-H.

(PTN): May need to be petitioned after transfer to USC to verify credit was earned by completing course at PCC, rather than AP exam credit. For more info, see Part III of USC Articulation Agreements: <https://camel2.usc.edu/articagrmrt/artic.aspx>

(-): Former course number.

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